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VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Regional Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
US EPA Pacific Southwest, Region 9
75 Hawthorne St.
San Francisco, CA 94105

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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request for Grant Documents

Regional Freedom of Information Officer:

I write on behalf of the City of Half Moon Bay ("City") to request the following records under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, in possession or control of the Environmental Protection Agency (hereinafter "EPA").

I. DEFINITIONS

EPA includes its directors, officers, elected officials, representatives, agents, employees, affiliates, accountants, attorneys and any and all persons acting on its behalf.

The term "relating to" as used here means directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, referring to, concerning, evidencing, connected with, commenting on, affecting, responding to, showing, describing, analyzing, reflecting or constituting.

"All records" shall mean every document — whether an original or copy, draft or final version — known to EPA and every such document or writing EPA can locate or discover by reasonably diligent efforts.

"Between 1974 and 1984" means the period from January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1984.

II. REQUESTED RECORDS

We request the following records:

1. Any grant documents and grant audit documents dated between 1974 and 1984 that EPA has in relation to Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside ("SAM"), including but not limited to applications, grants, correspondence, or attachments related to such grant documents;
2. Any grant documents and grant audit documents dated between 1974 and 1984 that EPA has in relation to the City of Half Moon Bay ("City") dated between 1974 and 1984, including but not limited to applications, grants, correspondence, or attachments related to such grant documents;
3. Any grant documents and grant audit documents dated between 1974 and 1984 that EPA has in relation to the Granada Community Services District ("Granada"), including but not limited to applications, grants, correspondence, or attachments related to such grant documents. Please note that Granada Community Services District was previously named Granada Sanitary Agency;
4. Any grant documents and grant audit documents dated between 1974 and 1984 that EPA has in relation to the Montara Water and Sanitary District ("Montara"), including but not limited to applications, grants, correspondence, or attachments related to such grant documents. Please note that Montara Water and Sanitary District was previously named Montara Sanitary Agency;
5. All records relating to any grant application, grant request, or grant communication in relation to SAM, City, Granada, or Montara dated between 1974 and 1984;
6. All records relating to any requirements that EPA, the state of California, another state agency, the federal government, or a federal agency may have

imposed on SAM, City, Granada, or Montara in relation to the Clean Water Grant Program;

7. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-06-1022-10-0, Grant Number C-06-1022-10-0, or Grant Amendment Number C-06-1022-10-0;
8. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-061022-14-0, Grant Number C-061022-14-0, or Grant Amendment Number C-061022-14-0;
9. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-061022-11-0, Grant Number C-061022-11-0, or Grant Amendment Number C-061022-11-0; and
10. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-06-1022-010, Grant Number C-06-1022-010, or Grant Amendment Number C-06-1022-010; and
11. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-06-1022-110, Grant Number C-06-1022-110, or Grant Amendment Number C-06-1022-110; and
12. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-06-1022-120, Grant Number C-06-1022-120, or Grant Amendment Number C-06-1022-120; and
13. All records relating to Grant Offer Number C-06-1022-130, Grant Number C-06-1022-130, or Grant Amendment Number C-06-1022-130; and
14. All records relating to SAM, City, Granada, or Montara dated between 1974 and 1984 concerning the Clean Water Grant Program.

III. FEE WAIVER

The City requests a waiver of document search, review, and duplication fees on the grounds that "disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester." (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii); 40 C.F.R. §2.107(l)(1); *Project on Military Procurement v. Dep't of Navy* (D.D.C.1989) 710 F.Supp. 362, 367; *Elizabeth Eudey v. Central Intelligence Agency* (D.C.D. 1979) 478 F. Supp. 1175, 1777 [even a single document has the potential for contributing to public understanding].) The release of this information will impact the public's understanding of how the City's sewer infrastructure projects were and are funded and

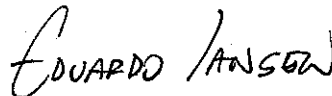
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will help inform the public, City officials, and local sewer officials on upcoming decisions concerning sewer infrastructure expenditures. The City plans to disseminate this information to the public at large by making it available on the City's website.

IV. CONCLUSION

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. If possible, please transmit records electronically. If electronic transmission is not possible, please send to me at the following address: 420 Sierra College Drive, Suite 140 Grass Valley, CA 95945-5091. Please send any documents you may have on a rolling basis.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "EDUARDO JANSEN". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Eduardo Jansen

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